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SUITABLE MEMORIALS TO SOLDIERS BEING SUGESTED IN MANY TOWNS

Just What Form They Will Take Is a Matter Of Discussion

FINE BUILDINGS PROPOSED

The Membership Council of the Board of Trade of Washington at noon today discussed the question of Washington's memorial to her fighting men. Just what form this memorial will take is a problem with the Washington people, but it is expected that from the numerous suggestions that were made some popular feature will be proposed, which will take concert shape in the near future, with the expectation of being realized some time later.

The memorial feature to men who enlisted in the great war for world democracy is also agitating other communities in fact every community throughout the country and it is probable that within the next few years some imposing structures will be reared in honor of the men who volunteered and those who were selected for service.

In some towns the suggestion has been made that a suitable memorial building be erected, dedicated to the men who saw service, in which there would be a bronze tablet bearing the names of all the men from that particular community, with such other data as would be deemed advisable to subscribe thereon.

While Charleroi has an honor board dedicated to her soldier boys it is believed this is looked upon as only a temporary feature, to be supplanted some time later with a lasting memorial which will set forth more in detail the sentiments of the community towards the men who went forth to war. Other towns in this section of the valley are considering similar propositions which it is believed will take definite shape within a short time and which is expected to result in memorials of a somewhat imposing character. The people feel this honor is due the soldiers and will no doubt gladly assist in making any undertaking looking toward that end an unqualified success.

SAY HIGH STEAMER WAGES WILL COME DOWN

It was reported on the wharf in Pittsburg on Monday that the wages on the Greene river boats have been reduced from $60 to $40 per month for deckhands. According to well informed Pittsburg rivermen the high wages paid on steamers in the Pittsburg district will soon be a thing of the past. The packets which formerly were shorthanded now leave port with full crews.

Thursday Special.

Fresh country butter, eggs and buttermilk at Watterson's Grocery 604 Fallowfield avenue. Bell phone 52-M. 188-t2-*

ENGINE BLOWS OUT A CYLINDER HEAD

The passenger train due at the local station at 7:20, south bound was over one hour late this morning, due to the fact that the engine blew out a cylinder head at Elrama. It was necessary to secure a freight engine at that point, to take the train on to Brownsville, the disabled engine being taken on to that point with the train. As a consequence of this delay many passengers were greatly detained in reaching their destination.

FOREIGNER KILLED BY FREIGHT TRAIN

John Marano, of Weaver, aged 31 years and married, was killed on Sunday on the Monongahela & Washington railroad, when run over by the engine of a freight train. Some mystery surrounds the man's death. The conductor, who was riding in the cab of the engine at the time, noticed a body on the track ahead of them, the head lying directly on the rails. Before the engine could be stopped it had run over the head and it was crushed beyond recognition. The remains were identified by clothing and other marks about them.

The theory is that Marano had been murdered and the body placed on the tracks. However there were no marks of any kind on the body to indicate that the man had met with foul play. If there were any wounds they were on the head, and it being crushed, any traces of foul play were removed.

ALMOST 7,000 DOGS IN THE COUNTY

In connection with the payment of the dog license fee, today being the last day for 1919, figures relative to last year are interesting. There was paid in dog license last year $15,534.75. There was paid out for damages to sheep and other animals $11,823.12. There were issued last year 6,332 licenses. There were killed by constables. 1,964 dogs. This year, so far, only 440 licenses have been issued by the county treasurer. However, this does not account for all as justices of the peace, who also issue licenses, have not yet made return to the treasurer. The license fee for 1919 is $1.75 for male dogs and $5.50 females

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christ Lutheran church was entertained at the home of Mrs. W. F. Schempp on McKean avenue Tuesday evening.

Sales of War Stamps In Washington County

Kerfoot W. Daly received a telegram this morninging from James Francis Burke, State Manager of the War Savings Stamps stating that the 1910 campaign will open on Friday January 17 this date being Benjamin Franklin's birthday anniversary. It is proposed to have statewide meetings on that day, to be aided by patriotic societies and other organizations. The campaign during the year is to be prosecuted with great vigor with a view of disposing of the State's quota as soon as possible.

In this connection Mr. Daly, who is chairman of the War Savings Stamps campaign committee for Washington county, makes the following report of sales for the year 1918, with the exception of the borough of Washington, where the report is only available up to the 4th of July. The report shows the following sales:

Charleroi	$105,431.75
Donora	64,339.25
McDonald	122,617.75
Monongahela	154,,739.50
California	31,005.00
Canonsburg	104,057.00
Washington	282,227.25
Total	$864,467.25

In addition to these sales the banks of the county bought from the Federal Reserve Bank at Cleveland, Ohio, the sum of $180,834.83, which makes the total sales in the county for the year 1918 over one million dollars.

NEXT LOAN WILL BE THE LARGEST

The next Liberty Loan will be for five or six billions of dollars and probably for a higher interest rate than any previous loans, it was indicated in a speech in New York Tuesday by Secretary Glass of the Treasury department. Secretary Glass explained the belief that patriotism would not be found wanting in the American people and said the loan would not be floated on a commercial basis but that the government would come to the people with an appeal to the people's faith in the government.

STREET RAILWAYS ORGANIZE FOR YEAR

A meeting of the stockholders of the Westside Electric Street Railway Company and the Webster, Monessen Belle Vernon, & Fayette City Street Railway Company, was held at the company offices, Bank of Charleroi building, Monday afternoon, January 13. At this meeting the annual reports of both roads were read, which showed a very satisfactory state of business for the year 1918. After the election of directors the boards organized by the election of the following officers:

Westside Electric Street Railway Company chose the following:

President—William I. Berryman.
Vice president—J. J. Hott.
Treasurer—Kerfoot W. Daly.
Secretary—R. W. Brown.
General Manager—C. F. Thompson.

The officers selected for the W., M., B-V. & F. C. were as follows:

President—C. F. Thompson.
Vice president—Kerfoot W. Daly.
Treasurer—David M. McCloskey.
Secretary—R. W. Brown.
General Manager—C. F. Thompson.

LOCALS LOSE FAST BASKET BALL GAME

Charleroi High lost its first championship game of the season at Monongahela last evening, when it played the High School team of that city. The score was 31 to 27 in favor of the Monongahela boys after a very exciting and at times a very rough game. Monongahela was the first to score, but Charleroi overcame the lead, and at the end of the first quarter the score stood 9 to 7 in favor of Charleroi. In the second quarter Monongahela scored 10 points, while Charleroi could score but one, the score in the first half being Charleroi 10, Monongahela 17. Each team scored seven points in the third quarter, but in the last quarter Charleroi took a spurt and scored 10 points, but Monongahela scored seven and managed to hold the lead until the end of the game. For Monongahela McVicker was the star, while Weaver led in the playing for Charleroi.

At Donora the Monessen team won over the Donora High, giving them a score of 2 games won and none lost. The schedule for Friday night is, McKeesport at Duquesne; Homestead at Donora; Charleroi at Monessen. Monongahela is not scheduled.

The standing of the teams is as follows:

	W	L	Pc.
Monessen	2	0	1.000
Duquesne	1	0	1.000
Homestead	1	0	1.500
Monongahela	1	1	.500
Charleroi	0	1	.000
McKeesport	0	1	.000
Donora	0	2	.000

Important Notice.

St. Jerome's Red Cross Auxiliary will meet tomorrow (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock in Hotel Wellington. All garments finished or partly finished together with all unused yarn must be turned in at this meeting without fail.

Harriet Wagner, Sec.
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD

Much Sickness Among Teachers and Pupils Is The Cause

HAD BEEN OPEN TWO WEEKS

The Charleroi public schools have been closed down for an indefinite period. This action was taken at a meeting of the school board held Tuesday evening, conditions being such that the board deemed it best to close the schools while so much sickness was prevailing among the members of the faculty and the pupils.

The schools opened on the 30th of December last, after being closed down on the 23rd of October, due to the prevalence of the influenza. After the quarantine was called off, just before Christmas, it was deemed advisable to defer opening of schools until after the holidays, by which time it was believed health conditions would be greatly improved. In this belief, however, the school board, the faculty and students have been disappointed, for ever since the opening of the schools two weeks ago there has been more sickness among the teachers and pupils than ever before. At the opening of schools Monday morning nine teachers were absent, while the number of students out of school was quite large. Under the conditions it was very difficult for Prof. Pollock, superintendent of the schools and his assistants, to arrange his working forces to advantage, not only so far as teachers were concerned, but likewise as to class arrangements, owing to so many of the pupils being absent.

The fact that the high school building had been used for an emergency hospital was believed by some people to be responsible for the trouble but the fact stands out very prominently that greater numbers were absent from the grade buildings than from the high school, which, if statistics prove anything, would indicate that the location of the hospital in that building has nothing to do with present conditions. However, there was some criticism on this score and in consequence therof the school board decided to call off all school sessions until such times as general health conditions have materially improved. When that will be is problematical, but board members are determined to take no chances, and the care of the school children is now left to the homes.

It is unfortunate of course that the present conditions exist, as it means that the present year of public school work will not reach the goal which had been set by the faculty, and with a posibility that it will have its effect on the graduation of the senior classes of the present year.

LICENSE PERIOD FOR AUTO TAGS EXTENDED

A further extension of time within which 1918 motor vehicle license plates may be used was granted on Monday by State Highway Commissioners O'Neil, who notified police authorities throughout the state to recognize the 1918 license until February 1st.

HIGH DEATH RATE IN STATE IN 1918

Harrisburg, January 14—There were approximately 185,000 deaths in the state of Pennsylvania in 1918 making the highest mortality rate in the history of the Commonwealth. This startling fact stands out prominently in the brief review of the year's work of the State Department of Health made public today by Dr. B. Franklin Royer, Acting Commissioner.

Data available at present in the Bureau of Vital Statistics is by no means complete, but the State Registrar, Dr. W. R. Batt, states that last year's mortality rate will be approximately 21.6 as compared with 14.8 in 1917.

This apparent increase, according to the state health officials is due entirely to the epidemic of influenza which has claimed a total of more than 50,000 lives in Pennsylvania since last September. The greater portion of this mortality occurred in the ages of from 20 to 40 years, when human life was placed at its highest economic value. Had it not been for the influenza epidemic, the mortality rate would undoubtedly have been lower than in 1917, as the death rate from many diseases was less than in the previous year.

In reviewing the work of the State Department of Health during the influenza epidemic, Dr. Royer states that the Department established and maintained more than 200 emergency hospitals, directed the activities of more than 500 physicians, hundreds of trained nurses and thousands of volunteer workers and gave medical attention and nursing to many thousands of sick persons who could not otherwise have received this care.

MIDGETS LOSE TO THE ESSEX JUNIORS

The Lyceum Midgets lost a fast and interesting game to the Essex Juniors at Monessen last evening. The score was 24 to 12. The line-up:

Lyceum—12		Essex—24
Mahoney	F	Janavitz
Hershall	F	Shending
Connelly	C	Lebowitz
Wildman	G	Rosenthal
Schramko	G	Friedland

Field goals—Janavitz 3, Shrading 3, Lebowitz 3, Mahoney 3. Substitutes—Fiedler for Connelly, McShand for Rosenthal.

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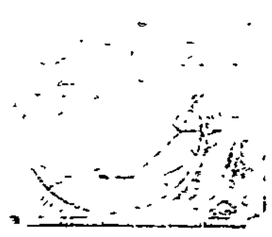

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ROOSEVELT'S INFLUENCE

In connection with the many forms of public service which Colonel Roosevelt rendered the country I [illegible] regard as the chief [illegible] the moral sense of the nation. It is not always easy to trace causes and assign [illegible] and it is not difficult, the facts are patent and the tribute is due.

It is not many years since when occasion arose, it was widely asserted that the private morals of a public man were nobody's affairs but his own. Today it may be safely claimed that there are few, if any circumstances in the length and breadth of the land with which a charge of flagrant immorality would not at once destroy a candidate's chance of election to office. More than to any other man, I believe, this is due to Theodore Roosevelt. From the beginning of his public career, in season and out of season, he insisted on common morality as the prime duty of all, both in public and private. His own sturdy integrity enforced it, and despite the sneers of his opponents about his "Sunday school politics," he never desisted or modified his demands. He died holding a place in the hearts of the American people, and commending the respect and admiration of the people of Europe, as no man has since President Lincoln, though in the latter relation President Wilson is now winning similar recognition.

Living always in the limelight of vigorous publicity, constantly holding office, invariably surrounded with enemies who feared or hated him, and opponents whose ways or interests he attacked, he has this to his undying credit, that he stood first and last, for a morality in personal life so plain and compelling as to be understood of every man, and he lived to see it adopted by his fellow-citizens as the standard of their judgment of their representatives and at least of themselves.—Henry L. Stimson in the New York Times.

"UNCLE JOE" CANNON

One of the finest figures among the men of national fame who went to Oyster Bay last week to stand at Colonel Roosevelt's grave was that of Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois, ex-Speaker of the House of Representatives and by age and service the dean of American legislators, says the New York Sun.

Mr. Cannon was a qualified voter and a citizen practicing law in the courts of Illinois when Theodore Roosevelt was born. He was a member of Congress when Roosevelt was a schoolboy of fifteen. With the exception of the Fifty-second and Sixty-third Congresses he has served in every one of them since 1873. He was Speaker of the House for eight years, including the four years during which Roosevelt occupied the White House by election. And two months hence, when the Sixty-sixth Congress begins, Mr. Cannon then within a few weeks of his eighty-third birthday, will resume his legislative labors and continue his legislative usefullness with the vigor of a freshman in the House.

Such a record is notable. It has few parallels, if any, in the history of the nations where parliamentary government obtains. And the best part of it is that the grand old man of Vermilion county is well along in the fifth decade of half a century of service with grit undiminished and a heart pumping political common sense and good will to mankind as energetically as ever.

[illegible] is very seldom that people get an accumulated [illegible] Germany is yet far from a settled condition, while Russia still continues in a turmoil. Other conditions are somewhat chaotic in other parts of thatcontinent, which will require careful attention on the part of the peace commission which is to sit at Versailles. From present indications it will be a long time before real peace finally settles upon many of the war-ridden countries of Europe.

but from present prospects he will be paid for holding on to his property. Of course we are not apt to have the abnormal conditions which prevailed for the past two or more years, butit looks as if thecoal business will be established on a sound basis with prices of a very satisfactory character.

An appropriation of one hundred millions of dollars has been approved by the lower House of Congress, to be used in the purchase of food for the starving people of Europe—that is those outside of Germany. If the high cost of living keeps up much longer in this country an appropria[illegible]

[illegible] Great Lakes Naval Training Station who [illegible] has received his discharge and will not be required to return to his station.

For more cows, advises the government, yes, but where will we get the price?

PROVED ABILITY TO REASON

How an Eligible Bachelor's Action in Putting Out Fire Unless That Admission Is Made.

A [illegible] and Jacko [illegible] and [illegible] threw a match down and the grass ignited, making a little blaze.

Jacko saw it and stopped and looked, then glanced all around, and, seeing a piece of plank not far off, ran for it, crept cautiously to the fire, all the time holding the plank as a shield between himself and the flame, then pressed it down and extinguished it. What child could have reasoned better and done more?

Although, perhaps, no danger could have come from the fire, still no one knows what the result might have been, and it is widely believed that prudence is the better part of valor.

He'd Forgotten.

The school dramatic society was giving its first performance of the season and the play they had chosen for the momentous occasion was "Julius Caesar."

All went smoothly till Caesar's dead body was brought in, and Marc Antony had to deliver his famous speech.

He put his heart into the part and the audience felt acutely for the poor citizens, who were all presumably horror-stricken and overcome with grief, when Antony gently but firmly grasped, as he thought, the face-cloth and slowly, very slowly, began to draw it back.

Just then an excited whisper came from the other end of the corpse:

"This end, you idiot!"

But Antony was too much wrapped in grief to hear. He presevered and then suddenly disclosed to the intently gazing audience Caesar's boots!

Rhine's Wanderings.

A remarkable thing about the Rhine is its length for so small a river. Unlike the Nile, which contains less water at Cairo than at Berber, 1,500 miles upstream, the Rhine has numerous [illegible] not never attains the dignity of a great river, as Americans understand such definitions, until it enters Holland.

The "German Rhine" owes its origin to the Swiss mountains, wanders with apparent aimlessness—first west and then north and northwest, after leaving Lake Constance—until it enters Holland, where it becomes as sluggish as any Dutchman who ever dwelt in New Amsterdam.

Too Severe.

"You told me when you were a suitor for my hand that my will would ever be law to you," said Mrs. Grippins.

"So I did, my dear, so I did," replied Mr. Grippins, mildly. "But at that particular time little did I dream that your will would ever take the form of —er—martial law."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Felt Need of Change.

Charles was staying in the country where playmates were few. So long

[illegible] to be with his mother. But from the [illegible] to return to the city [illegible] to his mother for his neglect of Julia he disgustedly remarked, "Oh mother, I'll go back to Julia some day, but a fellow sometimes wants a change."

Optimistic Thought.

Concealing secrets is sometimes no less advantageous to a man than eloquence.

Age by No Means Unanimous as to the Best Path.

Records show that more women live to be centenarians than men. When the census of the United States was taken in 1900 it was found that [illegible] persons between the ages of ninety-five and ninety-nine were living, and of this number 2,570 were women.

Miss Eliza Work, who reached the age of one hundred and five, gave as the reason for her long life that she never drank tea or coffee; Mrs. Margaret Novo, who lived to be one hundred and [illegible] that she never lacked resources and was a [illegible] Mrs. Sylvia Dunham, one hundred and one, lived to enjoy the [illegible] of 22 residential [illegible]. Born in July, 1800, at the age of [illegible] she rode in a stage coach.

[illegible] one hundred and twenty-[illegible] their son, [illegible] a year [illegible] them as [illegible]

When [illegible] lived to be ninety-[illegible] at the time of his death. His farmland was one of the finest that the world has ever known, and he was called "the Great Man." This is just one of the many cases to show a man is just as useful, if not more so, when he is old than when he is young.

INSOMNIA NOT HARD TO CURE

Easy to Tell the Cause of the Affliction and Remedy Is Matter of Common Sense.

"There are two kinds of insomnia, and each has its cure," a doctor said. "In the first kind you go to bed apparently sleepy, and as soon as your head touches the pillow, you become wide awake, and the most vivid and feverish thoughts whirl through your mind for hours. At last, sick with exhaustion, you fall asleep, but it's too late then. Too much time has been lost. You rise in the morning unrefreshed.

"In the second kind of insomnia you go to sleep all right as soon as you go to bed, but in an hour or so you wake up. You lie tossing a long while. You rise unrefreshed here, too.

"The first kind of insomnia is due to rich, undigested food clogging the stomach. The remedy is simpler meals in the evening—no pork or game or cheese or pastry, but, instead, fish or chicken, whole-meal bread, custards or milk toast.

"The second kind is due to lack of exercise. A daily half-hour's gymnastics, followed by a cold bath and a rubdown, will drive it permanently away."

Defense of Rhythm in Poetry.

When a poet discards rhythm he is discarding perhaps the most powerful single artifice of poetry which is at his disposal—the particular artifice, moreover, which, more than any other, enables the poet to obtain a psychic control over his reader, to exert a sort of hypnosis over him. Rhythm is persuasive. It is the very stuff of life. It is not surprising, therefore, that things can be said in rhythm which otherwise cannot be said at all; paraphrase a fine passage of poetry into prose and in the dishevelment the ghost will have escaped. A good many champions of free verse would perhaps dispute this. They would fall back on the theory that, at any rate, certain moods more colloquial and less intense than those of the highest type of poetry, and less colloquial and more intense than those of the highest type of prose, could find their aptest expression in this form, which lies halfway between.—Conrad Aiken in the Dial.

Helping One Another.

We do far more than we think to steady one another's principles, to hold one another up. A thought of the boy who must not be allowed to inherit a dishonored name has held many a man in the hour of temptation. The remembrance of wife and child has barred the way to many a wrong transaction.

The quiet courage of every day, that does its best hour by hour and accepts as part of the day's work the losses and penalties that steadfastly doing right must often bring—this is the highest courage of all.

Many people add unnecessarily to their own anxiety by assuming cares that do not belong to them—which form no real part of their duty or their work. Some of these burdens are pure creations of one's own excited or morbid imagination, while others appertain to the life or duty of others and not to us.—Exchange.

Carrot and Radish Seed.

[illegible] Sacramento and Yolo counties [illegible] with San Joaquin, Contra Costa, Santa Clara and San Benito counties ranking as minor producers. In the production of radish seed the situation is reversed, the coast counties of California producing the bulk of the crop, and the river district being unimportant as a producer. It is also grown in the Pacific Northwest. Beet seed is grown in both the river and coast districts of California, but is probably grown more extensively around Sacramento than in any other portion of the state. Lettuce seed is grown almost exclusively near the coast sections of California.

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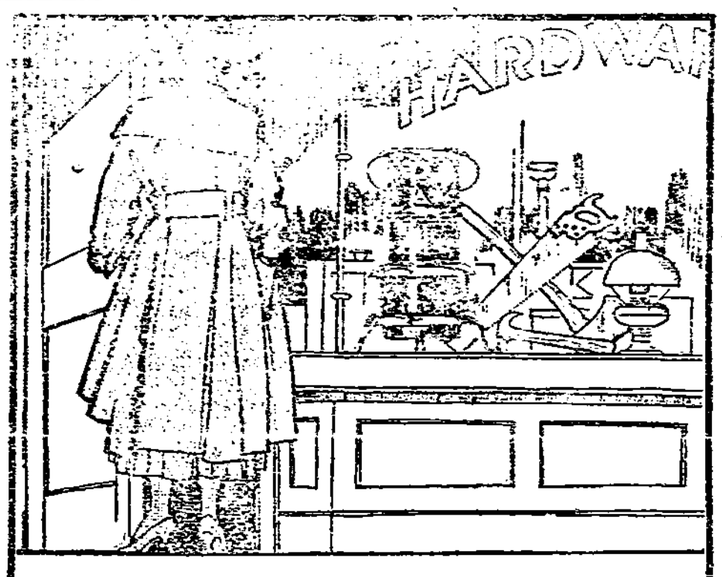

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Aleppo an Ancient City.

In the center of the older section of Aleppo stands the ancient citadel, a deep moat encircling it. The great mosque is on the site of the tomb of Zacharias, the father of John-the Baptist. If alleged Egyptian monuments can be accepted as an authority, the first settlement dates back close to 2,000 years B. C. The city at one time had a trade connection with Venice, as well as with Bagdad, and its name and importance became famed throughout Christendom.

Presidential Succession.

[illegible] that in case of the death, [illegible] president and vice president at the same time, the succession shall go to the members of the cabinet, beginning with the secretary of state, but only "such as are eligible to the office of president under the Constitution." If the secretary of state was foreign born, therefore, the succession would pass over him and go to the secretary of the treasury.

Optimistic Thought.

No evangelical precept jostles out of that of a law self-preservation.

Faith of Novelists and Their Works.

Of the century of novelists from Fielding to Thackeray, very few applied their faiths more seriously to the business of writing novels than the average hundred Christians of the same period applied his Christianity to the business of ordinary living. Both Fielding and Thackeray, for example, safe moralists though they are in theory, derive from the contemplation of human naughtiness an impish delight, which must greatly have perturbed them, if their theories had really come first. No one supposes that the exquisite high comedy of Jane Austen is invalidated by the failure of its world to show any particular correspondence with the orthodoxy of her ultimate beliefs; or that the democratic vaudeville of Dickens is greatly impaired by the Trinitarianism of Dickens.—Wilson Follett, in the Atlantic.

Finicky Elephant.

An elephant, in his native land, has a hard job to find what he likes to eat. Contrary to the general belief, he will not eat anything, but he selects carefully the best of roots, herbs, fruits and various vegetables. When in cap[illegible] and seems rather gaudily [illegible] may be offered to him. Elephants [illegible] no kind of meat whatsoever; they will only eat pure grown food or clean bread or pastry.

Goodlisome Herbs.

I pluck up the goodlisome herbs of sentences by pruning, eat them by reading, digest them by musing, and lay them up at length in the high seat of memory—by gathering them together.—Queen Elizabeth.

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Used cars in good condition

Oldsmobile 4 Touring car painting good, 6 good tires
Price $450

Buick Light Six run about 5000 miles, paint good as new
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Ford Truck overhauled and in good condition
Price $375

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Price $775

Oldsmobile Four with winter top in good running condition
Price $525

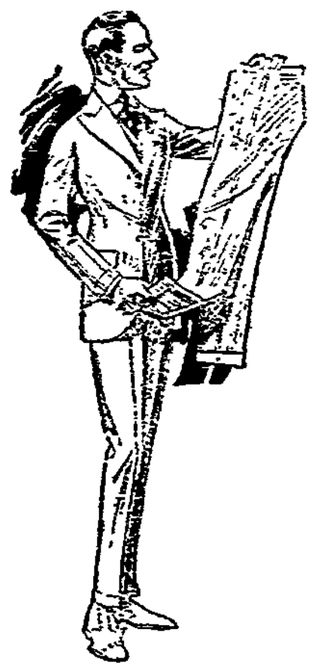
New Maxwell with extra tire
Price $700

1---Ford Touring Car in good condition
Price $325

1---Hudson Super-Six, good as new
Price $1200

1---Mitchell Six, run 5000 miles, looks good as new
Price $850

Kyles Garage
BelleVernon, Pa.



Extra TROUSERS Free!
With Kahn Made-to-Measure Clothes

HERE IS AN OFFER that will appeal to all men. The Kahn Tailoring Company has just sent us word that we will be permitted, for a limited period, to give an extra pair of trousers away with every suit of clothes.

Take advantage of this opportunity. Stock up on the clothes you are going to need.

You know an extra pair of trousers with a suit makes it practically equal to two suits.

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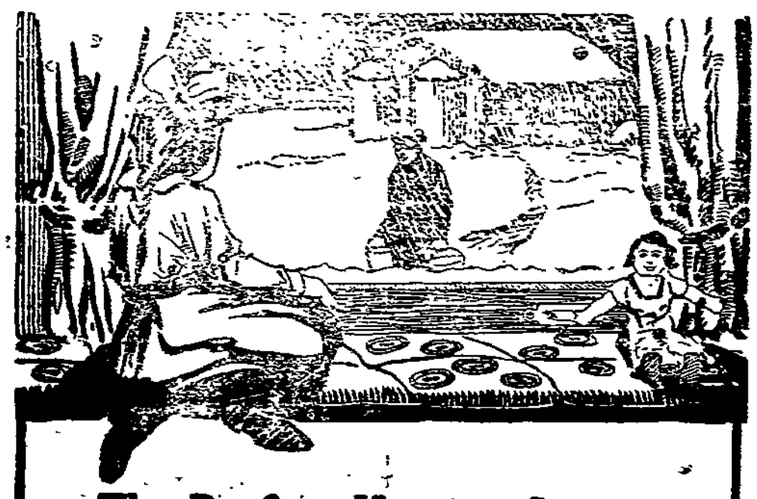

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Keep the home happy and comfortable during the dreary days of next winter. Keep out the snow and cold with the

PIPELESS CALORIC FURNACE

The Original Patented Pipeless Furnace

The Caloric perfectly heats the entire house with only one register, keeps it at a comfortable temperature all the time, saves a third of the coal bill and delights you with its cleanliness, comfort and convenience.

We do not ask you to risk anything when you try the Caloric. Every furnace sold is accompanied by an iron-clad guarantee, which states that if the furnace does not do all that we claim for it, it must come out at our expense.

Come to our store—learn more about this remarkable invention. Better come now, before the rush of cold weather sets in.

H. C. DEVORE

Made by THE HUNTON STOVE CO., Cincinnati, Ohio

REPORT "FLU" CASES ON THE INCREASE

Over one hundred cases of influenza have een reported to the health board within the past few days, and Health Officer Darby is again extremely busy looking after many families which are afflicted with this trouble. According to the health officer the influenza appears to be afflicting the children of the community, and while apparently the cases are not as severe as those noted in the adults, it is the genuine "flu" just the same. Whole families are reported down with the trouble and it is a difficult matter to get competent help to look after these patients. If the malady continues its spread it is possible the health board will have to adopt more stringent measures than are now in force.

BIG DREDGING JOB HAS BEEN COMPLETED

The dredging of 10,000 cubic yards of material from in front of the retaining wall of the Pittsburg Steel Products company at Allenport was completed last week and the dredge boats have returned to Pittsburg.

The meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society which was scheduled for Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. D. Pollock, has been indefinitely postponed.

PROHIBITION TIDE IS GROWING HIGHER

Thirty states have now approved the federal prohibition amendment, leaving but six more to take similar action before the measure is approved. It is predicted that this number of states will take favorable action this week, in which case the amendment will be an accomplished fact. A large number of states which already have prohibition measures in effect have yet to take action.

The Protected Home Circle will hold a social in their lodge room Wednesday evening, January 15. Music. Lunch will be served, consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee. Admission 25c. 187t2

WIRE CASE SETTLED BEFORE A HEARING

The hearing which was to have been held before Justice Whitehetd last evening in which William Able and Ben Stevenson were defendants, charged with the larceny of copper wire from the Warner-Yough mines on Maple creek, was settled before coming to trial. The defendants agreed to pay all costs and as the wire had been returned to the coal company the officials allowed the matter to drop.

Major Edwin McKay arrived home from Camp McClellan, Anniston, Ala., having been discharged from he service of the United States Army

Optimistic Thought.

It is a sure indication of good sense to be diffident of it.

FIRST NATIONAL HAD AN EXCELLENT YEAR

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank was held at the banking house Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at which time the annual reports for the year 1918 were presented. The reports were very gratifying to the stockholders, as they showed that in spite of the various campaigns for Liberty Bonds, the Red Cross and united war activities, the checking accounts and savings deposits largely increased over the preceding year. This is the same story toldby the other financial institutions of the borough, showing that the people of the community have saved a greater amount of money than ever before, in face of buying so many war securities. At the election for directors the following were chosen to serve for the year 1919—John K. Tener, S. A. Walton, R. H. Rush, C. J. Mogan, D. M. McCloskey, George S. Might and Eugene Fau. The Board organized by the election of the following officers:

President—John K. Tener.

Vice presidents—S. A. Walton, George S. Might, D. M. McCloskey.

Cashier—R. H. Rush

Assistant Cashier—L. J. Mitchell.

A meeting for the appointment of employes will be held later.

NATURE TELLS YOU

As Many a Charleroi Reader Knows Too Well.

When the kidneys are weak.

Nature tells you about it.

The urine is nature's index.

Infrequent or too frequent passage.

Other disorders suggest kidney ills.

Doans Kidney Pills are for disordered kidneys

People in this vicinity testify to their worth.

Charles Conaghan, Market St., Belle Vernon, Pa., says: "My work obliges me to stoop over a great deal and I think this weakened my kidneys. I could hardly get out of bed in the morning my back was so stiff and sore and at times my whole body was lame. My kidneys acted too freely, also. I heard so much about Doan's Kidney Pills that I finally got some. It took only a few doses of Doan's to regulate my kidneys and in a few days the soreness and pain had left my back."

A WORKING GIRL'S LIFE

Day in and day out month after month, she toils. Often she is the breadwinner of the family and must work that others may live. Rain or shine, warm or cold, she must be at her place of employment on time. A great majority of such girls are on their feet from morning until night, and symptoms of female troubles are early manifested by weak and aching backs, dragging-down pains, headaches and nervousness. Such girls are asked to try that most successful of all remedies for woman's ills, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which for more than forty years has been giving girls strength to do their work.

THE END OF ALL OF THEM

A well-known authority has said that "exercise in the open air all day long" would mean the end of most medicines." In a great measure this is true but it's pretty hard to do when you have to be at the store or factory all day long or in some office. But there's no need of taking medicines to act on the bowels and tear your stomach to pieces. BA-HA-NI is the only thing to take to regulate your bowels and digestive organs. Just take one BA-HA-NI tablet each evening with your meal. Don't deny yourself today and be "a regular fellow" through using BA-HA-NI! For sale by Hennings Drug Store and leading druggists everywhere.

BUMBLE BEE BUSY WORKER

Only Severe Cold Weather Induces Insect to Take a Rest From Its Labors.

If one were born a bumble bee, his idea of life success would be 40 acres of red clover waist high, in full June bloom and fragrance all the year through and forever. What one bumble bee could do with 40 acres of clover no bee nor mortal ever knew; but the bee, if human wise, would want all that and more.

Invade his flowery honey farm at the height of the season, and he puts out no restraining hand. There is no padlock on his gate. The whole field is a-hum with polyglot plunderers coming from everywhere to carry away the very goods that are gold to the bumble bee. But he puts up no defense. He makes no vicious counter-offensive, as the yellow-jacket might. If you search for him here you find him diligently prospecting with his honey pump humming a barytone solo as he works, loads of pollen strapped to his running board, his tonneau bulging with joy fodder. He is having the time of his life.

When the 40 acres of red clover is a wilderness of dry stubble under a scorching July sun, and his millions in clover are swept away by the hand of the strong, this bumble bee will not be found hanging by a spiderweb to a fence-row fireweed, a bankrupt suicide. Not he. In this fence corner left by the mower, clad in his velvet suit of black and yellow, even now he is working over the dump of a goldenrod mine, and gold is shining from his pants pockets. Moreover, he has a fair swig left in his honey jug, and he is still humming his song of high June.

As the season goes down the steep slope toward chilly weather, the bumble bee does not dig his reluctant heels into the sod, lag sullenly back and turn a regretful eye over his shoulder, with his heart in the lost red clover. He takes the small sweets of poverty as he did the rich sea of June honey.

From a June millionaire's estate he has fallen to the fortune of an autumn tramp, taking a handout from a belated weed and begging a night's lodging in the last bloom of a wayside hollyhock. But he still retains his well-brushed suit, his good deep baritone and his memories of June.

Intelligent Maine Dog.

A Gardiner (Me.) dog was caught on the trestle over the new Maine Central viaduct and could not reach the end ahead of the fast-coming train. Being afraid to jump off because of the distance to the ground, the dog dropped his body over one of the sleepers, letting his head and legs hang between the sleepers. The engine and six cars passed along and then doggie perked up one ear, found the coast was clear and calmly finished his journey home.

'ADORN' FACE WITH MUSTACHE

Hairy Anus Would Seem to Have Peculiar Ideas as to What Adds to Feminine Beauty.

The Ainus, the hairy race of Japan, live in the island of Yesso, about the size of Ireland, and it is estimated that there are not more than 16,000 or 17,000 of them left in the country.

The most noticeable peculiarity about Ainu women is that they have tattooed upon their upper and lower lips what resembles a mustache. The women are not considered attractive and their matrimonial prospects are greatly injured without this decoration.

The tattooing begins when the girl is quite a child, until it extends partly across the cheek, the material used being the soot from burning bark fats. The face is cut and the black rubbed in. Afterward it is washed in a solution of ash bark lotion to fix the color.

The Ainu women are said to be usually finely formed, straight and well developed, with small hands and feet. Their eyes are a beautiful soft brown, their hair dark and most luxuriant, and their complexion olive, with often a deep, rich color in their cheeks.

The native cloth—of which their garments are made—is woven from the fiber of the bark of the elm tree.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

GOOD INVESTMENT IN SMILE

Inexpensive, and Nothing One Can Own Will Bring a Greater Return —Should Be a Promise.

A pleasant smile is the most inexpensive investment on earth and it is the greatest one to bring a return. If I wish everyone could realize just what it means to smile. I think we all would smile oftener if we did. So many people have told me how hard it is for them to smile. Here is my recipe—here it is, very simple: When you are about to smile, think first that—in your smile you are to promise something. That is really what a smile is for. It is a promise, and you may make it any kind of a promise you like. Some people hardly move their lips at all in a smile, while others smile entirely with their lips and leave their eyes expressionless.

The best smile of all is the one that promises most. At your mirror you may practice smiling with great success. Just conjure up the person you want to smile at and fit the smile to the vision. It will surprise you to know how many different kinds of promises one happy smile may suggest. It is so like a happy party to have a person around who smiles on general principles and promises nothing at all but gladness for the very joy of living. Cheerfulness such as this is life's finest tonic.—Exchange.

Where Trees Are Milked.

In British Guiana and the West Indies, particularly on the banks of the River Demerara, there grows a tree known to the natives as the "Hya-hya," which yields from its bark and pith a juice slightly richer and thicker than cow's milk. The tree is about forty feet in height and eighteen inches in circumference when full grown, and the natives use its juice as we do milk, it being perfectly harmless and mixing well with water. The Cingalese have a tree, they call "Kiriachuma," which yields a fluid in all respects like milk, while in the forests of Para grows a tree called the "Massenodendron," which gives a milk-like juice. It can be kept for an indefinite time and shows no tendency to become sour. On the other hand, certain trees in the valleys of Aragua and in Canagua yield a similar fluid, which, when exposed to the air, begins to form a kind of cheese which very soon becomes sour. In the Canary Islands there is a tree called "Tabaya Dolce," of which the milk, thickened into a jelly, is considered a delicacy.

Brothers Saluted and Died.

Such possibilities as have been presented to the men of our destroyers have been well met. There are examples of heroism not surpassed by anything in the history of our navy. For instance, there is the case of the two young brothers who were wireless operators on a destroyer which was badly damaged by an explosion. Staggering forward, away from the injured part of the ship, these boys met the captain. Not realizing how badly they were hurt, he ordered them below to get medical attention.

"No, sir," said the elder brother: "give it to some of the poor devils back there who've got a chance. We're done for. Please notify our mother we died on duty." And at that the pair saluted their commander and collapsed. In a few seconds both were dead.—Gregory Mason in the Outlook.

Leather From Various Skins.

In the hunt for new sources of leather strange things are turning up. It has been ascertained that the skins of frogs and toads can be tanned and turned to account for card cases and other fancy articles. The government fisheries bureau says the skin of the codfish furnishes an excellent leather, tough as parchment and very durable. The same is true of salmon skin. Eel skins are employed in Europe for binding books, and in Egypt shoe soles are made from the skins of certain fishes caught in the Red sea. Sturgeon skin affords a handsome ornamental leather, and the hide of the armored garfish is much valued in Europe, being covered with horny plates that can be polished to an ivorylike finish.

Classified

FOR SALE—At Lock No. 4, six room house, paved street $3700, six room house, paved street, up-to-date, $4200. 3 six room houses paved street up-to-date $4000. Terms on same. Apply Harry W. Scott, real estate and Insurance, Lock Four, Pa. 187t6

FOR SALE—Cash or payment, five room house with bathroom and garage, located 728 Lookout avenue. Inquire of E. J. Charles, Manager, Charleroi Savings & Trust Company. 188-tf

FOR SALE—Reed baby carriage Good condition. Apply 122 Fallowfield avenue. 186t3-p

FOR SALE—On account of discontinuing housekeeping, will offer all household goods for sale. Inquire 321 Meadow a venue. 187-t4

FOR RENT—Furnished front room, 605 Fallowfield avenue. 184t6p

FOR RENT—Furnished room. Apply 404 Fifth street. 186-t-3p

FOR RENT—Five room flat. Inquire 118 Fallowfield avenue. 188t2p

WANTED—Twelve men between the ages of 25 and 45 who are willing to work and who have had some selling experience. Good salary and commission. Apply in own handwriting to 328 Mail office. 152tf

WANTED—Three furnished rooms for light house keeping. Send name and address to 372 Mail office. 188-t2p

WANTED—Boy. Apply Stevenson's Bakery. 408 Fallowfield avenue. 182-tf

WANTED—Four, five or six nicely furnished rooms in good locality. Address 369 Mail office. 183-tf

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Inquire at 114 Lincoln avenue. 184-t6

WANTED—Janitor who is trustworthy, apply at L. Collins store. 186-t3

WANTED—A girl for general house work. Apply at 421 McKean avenue, second floor. 187-t2

FOUND—Small velvet purse. Owner may have same by calling at this office and paying for advertisement. 187-t2

LOST—On McKean avenue, wrist watch. Initials O. E. C. on back. Reward if returned to 371 Mail office. 187-t2

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Will pay $10 a week. Apply at Porter's jewelry store, Fallowfield avenue. 188-t2

FRIDAY

House-cleaning day! And here's a quick, easy way to make walls and woodwork spic-and-span. Make a paste of

20 MULE TEAM BORAX SOAP CHIPS

Apply with a damp cloth and see how quickly dirt, dust and finger marks will disappear. Better than any soap or cleaner and much more economical.

"It's the Borax with the Soap that does the work."

At All Dealers

COUGHING SPELLS BREAK YOUR REST

Put a stop to them with old reliable Dr. King's New Discovery

That raw, hoarse throat must be soothed. That phlegm-loaded chest must be loosened. That cough must be checked so you can sleep.

Dr. King's New Discovery has been relieving colds, and coughs for half a century without the least disagreeable after-effects.

Your druggist has it because it is well-known and in big demand. 60c and $1.20.

Try this for Constipation

Keep the bowels on schedule time with Dr. King's New Life Pills, the system freed from poisonous wastes, the complexion clear, the stomach sweet, the tongue uncoated, the breath untainted. Mild yet positive. 25c.

CLAYBAUGH & MILLIKEN

JANUARY SHOE SALE

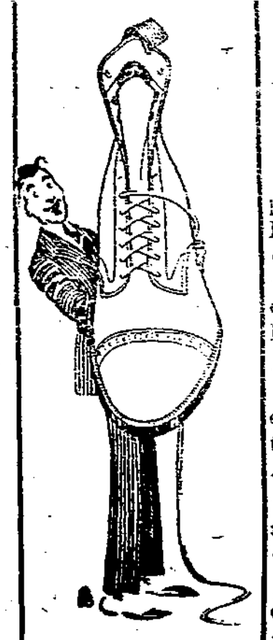
For 8 Days Only

SALE OPENS FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, at 8:30

After Inventory we Always Plan Changes in lines. Closing Out of Broken Lots, Reduction of Stock on all those styles where we have more than we care to carry over. At this time we are overstocked and with our Oxfords now due, must make shelf room for them.

You will be surprised at this great number of dependable stylish shoes which we are offering, as well as the styles suited for every day wear. These we have priced at reductions less than the present cost to us. Our reputation for quality will guarantee satisfaction.

COME EARLY AND SECURE YOUR SIZE



Here Y' Are Boys
January Sale of
MEN'S SHOES
at BARGAIN PRICES

These are all New Nifty Styles, but discontinued lines and broken lots. Your size in some styles BUY EARLY.

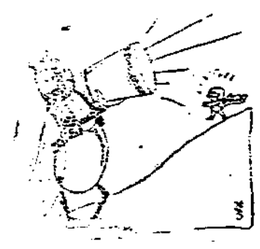
Men's $5.00 to 6.50 Black Shoe in button, blucher and lace. A few pairs in tan. Priced..... **$3.69**

Men's $7.00 to 8.00 Shoes in tan and black leather. Some in English styles others in button and blucher. All good clean styles... **$4.98**

Men's $10.00 to 12.00 Shoes in black and tan. English Lace Shoes. Odd pairs **$7.98**

Men's $4.00 to 4.50 Work Shoes black or tan. All sizes..... **$2.98**

Priced Reductions on all Men's High Cut Shoes.



Never before were such Values ever offered in

LADIES' SHOES

Including discontinued lines and many odd pairs of the seasons smartest styles.

All sizes and widths in the assortment.

300 pairs Women's fancy heels. Good Spring styles. Combination Lace Shoes. Worth from $8.50 to 12.00 High and low Now..... **$4.39**

500 pairs Women's Patent Leather Button Shoes. All sizes and widths. Worth from $5.50 to 7.00. At this sale..... **$2.98**

Womens $5.50 to 7.00 Black Kid and Gun Metal Shoes in lace and button high heels broken lines..... **$3.69**

Womens $9.00 to 13.00 Shoes in Tan, Black, Gray, Champagne and Field Mouse. High and low heels. These are discontinued lines, the seasons very best..... **$6.98**

Womens $6.50 to 7.50 Black Kid Shoes. Lace or button styles. High or low heels. Also a few pairs Tan Shoes..... **$4.39**

STORE CLOSED THURSDAY TO ARRANGE STOCK

BARGAINS in BOYS and GIRLS SCHOOL SHOES

Misses and Childrens Black Button Shoes Sizes 9 to 2. Very good values at..... **$1.89**

Misses and Childrens Gun Metal and Patent Button Shoes worth $3.50 a pair. Now..... **$2.69**

Misses and Childrens Grey Cloth Top Lace Shoes the very latest sizes 9 to 2, at..... **$3.98**

Boys High Cut Shoes, $3.50 and 4.00 values Now..... **$2.98**

Little Gents High Cut Shoes $3.00 and $3.50 grades. At..... **$2.49**

Boys and Little Gents, Gun Metal Button Shoes $3.50 and 4.00 values. At..... **$2.69**

NOTICE---All Shoes Fitted! No Sale Shoes Charged, Sent Out on Approval, Exchange or Money Refunded. No Buttons patented on during first 3 days of sale.

Claybaugh & Milliken

419 McKean Ave. CHARLEROI, PA.

RETURNS TO U. S.
AFTER OVERSEAS DUTY

Mrs. W. A. Watterso nof Fifth street, received word this morning that her brother, Lieutenant Marvin C. Johns, a Surgeon in the United States Navy, had arrived in the United States from France on Saturday last, and is now stationed at New Orleans. Lieut Johns expects to visit his home in Wilkinsburg in a short time.

Never Was True Friend.

He who betrays another's secret because he has quarreled with him, was never worthy of the name of friend. A breach of kindness on one side will not justify a breach of trust on the other.—Emerson.

Quality Not Always on Surface.

Those with whom we can apparently become well acquainted in a few moments are generally the most difficult rightly to know and to understand.—Hawthorne.

World 711,000,013 Years Old.

Basing their calculations on radium [illegible] British scientists have advanced the theory that the world is at least 711,000,013 years old.

Not Always.

We always like those who admire us, said La Rochefaucauld; we do not always like those whom we admire.

Daily Thought.

Fortitude is a great help in distress.—Plautus.

This [illegible] was enthusiastic but unprofessional. Rushing into his chief's office in great excitement he cried: "I've found the assassin! I've got him cornered so that he can't escape!" The chief regarded him with withering scorn. "Allow me," he said, "to draw your attention to the fact that at present we are looking—not for the assassin, but for clues."

The Limit.

"His wife drives the gas car and he has to ride in the tonneau."

"That's nothing. I know a man whose wife can beat him playing golf."

"I think if the people of America could only see and realize what the boys are doing out here," said a Captain after Chateau-Thierry, "they would gladly back them up with their last dollars and their lives if necessary."

Daily Thought.

There is a great deal of unmapped country within us which would have to be taken into account in an explanation of our gusts and storms.—George Eliot.

The world is always in a hubbub; people rushing here and there in what appears to be a futile fashion. Why do we not conserve our energies, save our time and strength for big things? What does the hustle and bustle amount to, when we do sit down and rest and think? Nothing! because we could have done what we did without that tense nervousness which so many of us think we must assume to make others think we have important business on hand. If we only knew how much more force, strength and ability lies behind a calm exterior our aim would be to absorb that poise until it became our rightful inheritance.

"Out of silence comes thy strength." It brings wonderful results, results that show us how our power is increased. Try to be calm for a few days and watch the issue. You will marvel at your strength, be astonished at your success.

Be silent, patiently listen, and wait for the strength that is bestowed on all. It is like the ruby in value, a priceless treasure—a life force, in other words, which makes geniuses of men and women.

Begin tomorrow. Go slow but sure, knowing you are doing the right thing. Put aside all nervousness and hurry. You will be amazed at the results; people will come to you because that force being magnetic will draw all good things in your direction. Some may say, "I cannot do this. There is too much to be done in a short time." We need not go to the other extreme and become snails; but by striking the "happy medium," our success will come, perhaps slowly at first, but surely, nevertheless.—Exchange.

SAVAGES USED "POISON GAS"

Ingredients Were Different, but Object Was the Same as That Sought by the Germans.

As is well known, the Germans in the great war were anticipated by some savage tribes in the use of poisonous gas for war purposes. Nature quotes authorities to show that tribes like the Tupinamba and Guaranis of the Brazil littoral and on the Rio Parana used poisonous gases in attacking fortified villages. Men went in front of the attacking party, each holding a pan with embers in one hand and ground red pepper in the other. When the wind was against the Spaniards they sprinkled the pepper on the embers. This was also done in attacks on the Spaniards in Venezuela. In the same way pepper was largely used in exorcising demons and evil spirits. The use of this pepper, known as Aji, would soon be discovered by these Indians, who cultivated the plant extensively. It was only necessary for some one to upset a basin of Aji into the fire and a hut would soon be cleared of its occupants. The use of the smoke in warfare would be a natural development.

Considerate in Death.

When Sir Ralph Abercromby was mortally wounded in the battle of Aboukir he was carried on a litter on board the Foudroyant. To ease his pain a soldier's blanket was placed under his head. He asked what it was.

"It's only a soldier's blanket," he was told.

"Whose blanket is it?" he persisted, raising himself.

"Only one of the men's."

"I want to know the name of the man whose blanket this is," the dying commander insisted.

"It is Duncan Roy's of the Forty-second, Sir Ralph," said his attendant at last.

"Then see that Duncan Roy gets his blanket this night," commanded the brave man, who did not forget even in his last agonies the comfort and welfare of his men.

Star Time Most Reliable.

The official "time man" at the naval observatory at Washington, lying on his back with his eye to a telescope and his finger on a recording button, checks up "Old Sol" by a certain fixed star—for the sun is not quite punctual. In fact, Sol is about four minutes behind time except on just four occasions during the year; and so many allowances have to be made for his vagaries that an imaginary sun is used by the government astronomer, on which to base his horoscopical calculations.

It may be interposed that the earth's elliptic orbit and its varying rate of speed in its travels, says the Watchman of America, helps to give the sun, as a timekeeper, a bad record, but the fact remains that sidereal, or star time, is much more reliable than sun time.

Look Up to the Stars.

There are thousands of people who never look at the stars, except as possibly some bright planet attracts their eye for an instant. Even then the gorgeous, plainly discernible Orion, with his belt and scabbard, fails to impress itself upon their earth-drawn gaze. Surely it is a groveling nature that never looks up to the softly luminous twinkle.

One may be sorry for people who do not study the stars—they lose so much. The sufferer from insomnia, wracked by hectic plans of the morrow, tosses on his unique bed instead of forgetting the world in the cool night zephyrs and the stars' medium of peace and right.